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Healthcare Data as a Public Utility: How Do We Get There?

Forty-six million Americans **use mobile fitness and health apps**. Over half of providers serving Medicare or Medicaid patients are **using electronic health records** (EHRs). Despite such advances and proliferation of health data and its collection, we are not yet on an inevitable path to unleashing the **often-promised** "**power of data**" because data remain proprietary and fragmented among insurers, providers, health record companies, government agencies, and researchers.

Read more.
(Source: Brookings)

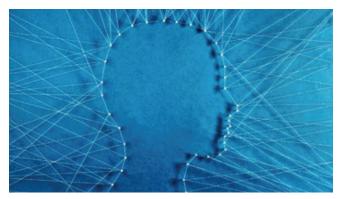## Call for Applications for New York Digital Health Accelerator 2016 Class

The Partnership Fund for New York City (Partnership Fund) and the New York eHealth Collaborative launched their fourth annual call for applications for the **New York Digital Health Accelerator** (NYDHA). The five-month program works to strengthen New York's position as a vital regional hub for the digital health technology industry.

Twenty-one graduates of this highly successful program have raised nearly $230 million since leaving the program, and have created over 160 jobs in just three years. Two alums—Avado and Remedy Systems—have been acquired. The program is distinctive from other healthcare accelerator programs, offering unique exposure to top-level healthcare executives and venture capitalists while helping entrepreneurs accelerate customer acquisition and access to capital..

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Why HIE Data Analytics are Critical for Behavioral Healthcare

In the healthcare industry, "interoperability" is more than just a technical term for the way electronic health record systems shuffle information back and forth. It's a concept that can—and should—be applied to the connections between organizations across the care continuum, from primary care and specialty services to inpatient admissions, long-term care, and especially behavioral healthcare.

Historically, many of these disciplines have operated with a certain sense of isolation. Hospitals and specialists treated acute problems and performed surgeries; family doctors dealt with everything else. Communication between them was limited to the tedious faxing of hundreds of pages of records, which may or may not contain pertinent information in an easily accessible way.

Behavioral healthcare existed somewhere off to the side as an option for those who specifically sought it out.

Read more.
(Source: Health IT Analytics)

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Where will New York State's healthcare leaders and innovators be this December 6-7? At the 2016 **Digital Health Conference**! Join 500 senior-level thought-leaders from across the healthcare ecosystem to learn about cutting-edge health innovations and to take part in dynamic conversation addressing how healthcare is being redefined through technology.

2016 Keynote Speakers

Robert Wachter, MD
Professor and Interim Chairman of the Department of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco

Author, *The Digital Doctor: Hope, Hype and Harm at the Dawn of Medicine's Computer Age*

Steven Johnson
Bestselling Author
How We Got To Now and
Where Good Ideas Come From

View photos from past events and **watch highlights & speaker videos** to get a taste of what's to come in 2016.

Join your peers and put yourself at the center of the conversation: **Register Today** and **take advantage of early bird rates!**

Kinney Drugs and HealtheConnections Partner to Provide Physicians with Access to Critical Prescription Information

HealtheConnections

Kinney Drugs, a leading healthcare organization in New York and Vermont, announced a collaborative healthcare partnership with HealtheConnections, a Syracuse-based regional health information organization (RHIO) supporting eleven counties of central and northern New York, to allow physicians and other healthcare providers to securely access and share patient prescription information. This partnership will link medication prescribed with medications picked up at over 70 New York Kinney Drugs stores.

For patients, particularly those with multiple and chronic illnesses, sharing their medical information through HealtheConnections' health information exchange (HIE) can help reduce the time spent filling out paperwork, briefing providers on their medical history and tracking prescriptions across patient caregivers. This partnership provides physicians with access to critical prescription and medical information that may not otherwise be available, which is especially important for urgent care or emergency room visits occurring late at night or on weekends.

Read more.
(Source: HealtheConnections)

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PQRS Reporting for 2016: Are you Ready?

GPRO reporting provides an excellent method for group practices to share their measures and leverage the effort to complete PQRS reporting. **June 30th is the CMS deadline for group practices to self-nominate for GPRO reporting**. Practices with two
or more eligible providers that bill under a single TIN are eligible to select this PQRS reporting methodology.

To support the provider community as healthcare shifts from Fee for Service to Pay for Performance and Value, NYeC provides a CMS-qualified PQRS Registry for all Eligible Professionals (EPs) to submit their quality measures for the 2016 PQRS Reporting Year. We are a full service registry that supports all 280 Individual Quality Measures, Measure Group, and GPRO reporting methodology.

We offer both Basic and Premium support levels and practices/providers can use our registry to report as individuals or as a GPRO. Services include measure selection guidance, data collection tools, training, monthly webinars, and support calls.

For more information about PQRS reporting and NYeC's Registry services please contact:
Peggy Frizzell, Program Implementation Manager at 646-619-6562 or **pfrizzell@nyehealth.org**

Meaningful Use 2016

Meipass is scheduled to be available at the end of the summer to accept Meaningful Use attestations.

Don't wait, get MU ready—NYeC can help! 2016 is the last year to begin participation in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program. Not registered? Have questions? **Contact the HAPS team** at **HAPSinfo@nyehealth.org**

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Few Health Organizations Excel at Digital Health Innovation

A new global study produced by the innovation consultancy Enspektos indicates that only 5% of health organizations globally are operating at the highest level of proficiency and expertise when it comes to their digital innovation efforts.
This includes having the ability to successfully scale and diffuse innovations internally and externally. The majority of organizations are in the pilot testing and experimentation stage when it comes to digital health innovation. However, while any progress is positive, momentum may be lost if institutional innovation knowledge is not shared and integrated into organizations' operations.

To review the study report, **please click here**. In addition, Enspektos has launched Wave II of the State of Digital Health Innovation study, which offers participants an opportunity to measure and benchmark their progress using study data that has not released to the general public. **Click here to learn more**.

Partner Events & Opportunities

Digital Health for Complex Populations: Pilot Challenge

Want to get your digital products into the hands of real customers? *The Digital Health for Complex Populations: Pilot Challeng*e offers the opportunity to test your product, collect data on how it is used and its effectiveness, and potentially build a long-term, paying customer relationship with nationally recognized health care organizations.

The Center for Health Care Strategies, through support from Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit, is connecting technology companies and health care organizations to create digital health solutions to address challenges faced by low-income individuals with complex medical and social needs. Health care organizations will partner with digital health companies to launch two nine-month pilot projects, supported by $25,000 in funding.

Applications are open until July 22 – apply now at **http://ow.ly/nict300YCAt**.

Questions? Contact Rebecca Sax at **pilotchallenge@chcs.org**.